

Nevada Eighth Judicial District Court



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Temporary Protective Orders Available By Phone For Safety Of Those Facing Domestic Violence

Family Law Self-Help Center Offers Phone Option To Apply For Temporary Protective Order During The Confines Of The Coronavirus Pandemic

The Family Law Self-Help Center is processing Temporary Protective Order (TPO) applications by phone. Those facing domestic violence should call 702-455-1500 to get a TPO facilitated by phone. Help is also available by email flshcinfo@lacsncsn.org.

When an applicant calls 702-455-1500, Self-Help Center staff will get their information to complete the entire application for them by phone. The application will then be e-mailed to the victim for review, approval and e-signature. The completed TPO application can then be submitted by e-file. Once the application is submitted the applicant will be set for a telephonic hearing. Applicants have until 4 p.m. to submit their completed application for a same-day hearing; otherwise, they will be heard the following morning.

"Families are under stress and tensions are high. This phone option offers a way to get a TPO remotely by calling 702-455-1500," said District Court Family Division Presiding Judge Bryce Duckworth. "Notwithstanding limitations created by the Coronavirus crisis, we remain committed to provide access to the Court for those who face domestic violence." Help with protective orders is also available by email flshcinfo@lacsncsn.org.

"Generally when people are unemployed, financially insecure, and are enduring stress while being confined, domestic violence and child abuse increase," said Stephanie McDonald, Esq., the Directing Attorney of the Family Law Self Help Center operated by Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada, Inc. "We want to ensure that those who are at risk of domestic violence know how to reach the Family Law Self-Help Center for help. Getting the word out to those facing danger so they know there are still resources available could be lifesaving."

The District Court is closely monitoring local developments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and is implementing measures to prevent the spread of infection in our community. The Nevada Eighth Judicial District Court judges and staff are doing everything possible to continue to serve the community in a safe and judicious manner. For updates and more information about the District Court response, please visit our website at clark-countycourts.us, Facebook at Clark County Courts, Twitter at NV8thJDCourt or M Price@LasVegasCourts and blog at <https://eighthjdcourt.wordpress.com>.

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